

House Resolution No. 867

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Gifford Lumber Company of Fredericktown has distinguished itself as a hardware and building material supplier which offers an on-line catalog and more than 60,000 items for purchase and next-day delivery; and

Whereas, Gifford Lumber Company will enhance its already impressive record of achievement when it receives the Business of the Year award from the Fredericktown Chamber of Commerce at its annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Friday, March 4, 2005; and

Whereas, the Fredericktown Chamber of Commerce helps improve the business climate and quality of life in the city of Fredericktown, which is located one hundred miles south of Saint Louis and fifty miles west of Cape Girardeau, lies in the foothills of the Ozarks, and has a population of nearly four thousand; and

Whereas, proudly serving as the county seat of government, Fredericktown is a zoned community and the largest town in four-hundred-square-mile Madison County, which is home to such important employers as Cap America, Incorporated; Black River Electric Cooperative; Filtration Systems, Incorporated; Wal-Mart; Sargeant Construction, Incorporated; the Fredericktown R-I School District, city government of Fredericktown; and Country Mart Supermarket; and

Whereas, nearly eighty churches of various denominations serve the religious needs of the people of Madison County, and two country music theaters in Fredericktown provide "G" rated entertainment in which walk-in performers are welcome; and

Whereas, overseeing the local economy is a county form of government consisting of a Presiding Commissioner and two District Commissioners, one of whom represents the northern half of the county and the other the southern half:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Gifford Lumber Company for a Business of the Year award from the Fredericktown Chamber of Commerce and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued business success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Gifford Lumber Company of Fredericktown, Missouri.

Offered by Speaker Rod Jetton
District No. 156

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 867, adopted March 3, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker